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SOME OF OUR EDUCATIONAL NEEDS.

By DR. PRECIVAL HALL. READ AT THE CONVENTION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, AT WASHINGTON, D. C., AUGUST 12TH, 1926.

So much has been accomplished in educating deaf children in this country since the establishment of the first permanent school for the deaf at Hartford by T. H. Gallaudet, in 1817, that we may well be proud of the record that has been made by our schools up to the present time.

The early institutions were looked upon by the public as asylums rather than educational institutions, and were often poorly supported; were able to give only a short term of years to the pupils, and did not reach a great percentage of the children in the country districts. Now every State in the Union either has its own school or provides for the education of its deaf children at public expense within its own borders or in some neighboring State. This means a great number of residential institutions throughout the country. There have also been established in our large cities, and even in some of our small towns, day schools for our deaf children in very large numbers. There is a further group of private and denominational schools serving a small field, but adding to the whole number, which in all provide for the education of over 16,000 deaf children.

The school life of these children has been added to greatly, both by reducing the age at which children may enter school and by increasing the number of years during which they receive instruction. Compulsory school laws have been passed in many States, requiring that all deaf children be in school for a reasonable length of time.

Courses in manual training have been introduced and have become a great factor in the successful education of the deaf. Much attention has been given to the school course. The teaching of speech has been promoted very strongly.

A number of old institutions have been added to by modern buildings or have been completely abandoned, and in their place up-to-date buildings and equipment have been substituted.

There is cause for rejoicing and congratulation among the deaf of this country in the advance made in the education of deaf children all these years, and in the independence and high standing which the deaf have attained in every part of our country. It is never possible, however, to say in the history of any country that advance should be stopped unless the advance has been along the wrong lines.

It is my purpose today to make some suggestions as to possible needs in our schools for the deaf for further advancement and some criticisms of conditions now existing in these schools, with the hope that you well trained and educated men and women of the country will use your influence to see that real progress continues in our educational work for the deaf.

The first endeavor in some parts of our country which is needed, in connection with our schools for the deaf is an endless educational campaign among the powers that be and among the general public as to the true nature of our schools for the deaf. They are still in some States classed as charitable institutions by the State laws. Perhaps more unfortunate than this, is the lack of knowledge on the part of school teachers, business men and the public generally, that our schools are strictly educational institutions and that the children in these schools are entitled to the very best instruction, the best equipment possible for their teaching and the best maintenance that can be given, all at the public expense. In every large State where the adult deaf are organized, I believe it should be part of the work of such organization to get in touch with school officials, educational institutions, business men, teachers, and impress upon them all this point of view. I am aware of the fact that the N. A. D. had already done much work along these lines, but I am also aware that the public in general is still woefully

ignorant of the possibilities of the education of the deaf and the successful work of deaf people after finishing school.

The next step in improving our situation educationally is to see that every State in the Union has compulsory education laws with proper enforcement, providing for not less than twelve years of school work for all deaf children and a requirement that deaf children of say seven years or over must be in school for the period mentioned. It would also be of value to have an extension period of three years provided, during which the pupil may continue his education on the statement of the superintendent that the pupil will benefit from such tuition. It is true that many States already have compulsory school laws. But the average school life of deaf children is only about eight years, even when more than this period of free tuition is allowed. The state of affairs in connection with this point will, I hope, be shown forth in the near future by the surveys of schools for the deaf recently conducted by Professor Day and Professor Fustfeld. Certainly, if any children should be compelled to go to school it is deaf children, who are more severely handicapped than any other class in the matter of obtaining education from their personal contact with others.

Let us turn now to the schools themselves, their staffs, methods and equipment; and look into the question of future improvement in the school itself. It goes without saying that equipment should be good. Some of our schools are crowded, some of them are handicapped with old buildings, both for dormitory purposes and for school uses which are not as comfortable, as fireproof, or as well adapted to teaching purposes as they should be. Where new buildings and new equipment are needed, I am sure that your organization will stand behind the school heads in urging upon legislatures the provision of proper school equipment.

I wish to call your attention particularly to the equipment for industrial teaching. In the old days the schools for the deaf were far ahead of schools for hearing children in the matter of industrial training and shop equipment. I am sorry to say my own opinion at the present time is that the schools for the deaf are not maintaining their leadership. Manual training high schools and manual training classes in junior high schools, are being established throughout the country for hearing children, equipped with high grade machinery and with teachers who have been specially trained to handle this equipment. If the graduates from our schools for the deaf are to maintain their ability to compete with their hearing brothers and sisters, leaving school well trained for craftsmanship, there is need in our schools for the deaf for much larger expenditures along these lines. Superintendent Alvin E. Pope, of the New Jersey School, believes most heartily in limiting the number of trades taught in any of our State schools, to those best adapted for the State and in carrying out the training in such limited number of trades to a high point of success. This may mean the expenditure of considerable sums of money for modern machinery and tools, but above all it means the providing of real teachers of trades in all of our schools for the deaf, of considerable size.

The schools should abolish the utilitarian idea that the shops are to serve mainly as repair shops for the institution and should make them real trade schools. This does not mean that much of the repairing, furnishing, painting, etc., at the institution, cannot be profitably done both for the school and for the pupils through the manual training department, but it does mean that each trade should be in the charge of a competent well-paid instructor who knows how to teach his trade; and it means, certainly in the largest schools, a definite industrial department under the charge of a highly intelligent, broad-minded head, who is to be considered as one of the most important officials of the school and consulted as frequently by the executive as the

principal of the school department is.

The question of intensive industrial instruction in the later years of a pupil's life is also one which should receive more attention in their educational work. During my trip to England last summer, I was much struck by the splendid trades work done in the school at Manchester by post graduates of sixteen years of age or over. Some of these took their training as apprentices in the city, and others received their work under skillful teachers in the school itself. A very large share of the student's time for three years is given in the school to trade teaching, with a result that in spite of the lack of employment in England, between 80 percent to 90 percent of the graduates of this school were working last summer. This matter has been taken up at several of our schools, among them the New Jersey School and the Mt. Airy School, particularly in the teaching of printing, by allowing post graduates courses to certain students. I am inclined to think that a large amount of time might be spent with the older students in all of our schools in trades teaching with great profit, giving the opportunity of two or three years' advanced work not only to particular pupils in particular lines, but to practically all pupils, especially girls for whom trades teaching needs much expansion.

We come now to one of the most important subjects of all in connection with the education of deaf children, and this is the teacher. In the early history of the education of the deaf in this country a very high type of young man was obtained to take up the work of teaching the deaf. At the present time about one-fifth of the teachers in our schools are men, and many of these no doubt are engaged only in industrial training. One of the greatest needs in the education of the deaf today is for men teachers. Some of the most successful and able teachers that have ever worked in our schools have been women, but there is no question but that in both our schools for the hearing and schools for the deaf the proportion of men teachers should be increased if it is possible to find the right type of men and keep them in educational work. In this respect, the normal class at Gallaudet College, established by Dr. Gallaudet, has done most valuable work, but it will be impossible to induce young men to remain in our profession unless there is opportunity for real promotion and adequate salaries are given.

The question of good teachers is, of course, far more important than that of equipment. Even without reasonably good desks and blackboards, the enthusiastic and well trained can produce good results. There is too much difference in the range of salaries in our various schools and in too many cases there is a tendency to pay the teachers of the deaf even smaller salaries than the poorly paid public school teachers of hearing children. There is too little encouragement for the teacher to improve himself educationally. While there has been an improvement in the salary question, it still remains a matter in which your influence is needed. Heads of schools who are asking for budgets which will provide for well-paid teachers, should be given the backing of your powerful organization. Young men who show an interest in the deaf can be encouraged to take training to become teachers of the deaf. When adequate salaries are finally paid, it is quite possible that a larger proportion of men can be persuaded to enter and remain in our teaching profession. It is very striking that in England, where reasonable salaries are now paid through the assistance of the central government, and a national pension plan is in existence, the proportion of men teachers in the school is probably twice as great as it is in the United States.

It is encouraging to see that gradually State legislatures are being persuaded to place our schools for the deaf in the class of strictly educational institutions and also to take them outside the field of politics. Unfortunately, in some States these happy results have not yet been accomplished. There again is a field

for work by the N. A. D., in which I am sure there is room for further progress.

Another step has been begun in some of our schools which, to my mind, is of great significance in their educational work. This is the appointment of social workers, or field workers, whose duty it is to form close connecting links between the school and the home and the industrial field. Such workers are already employed by the Illinois School and the Mt. Airy School. The State of Minnesota employs such an agent, but I believe he is not under the control of the head of the school for the deaf. Many valuable suggestions may come to the head of the school through a personal visit by the worker to the home of the pupil and many others may go to the home through the same channel. Industrial conditions in various parts of the State can be studied with advantage to the deaf worker and openings for those out of employment can be brought to the attention of seekers for positions. With the growing of our great cities and the increase in our population generally, the matter of obtaining work is going to become more and more serious for deaf people. I think, therefore, that this move of having a social and industrial worker in our schools should be encouraged and all important institutions should be asked to adopt some plan of this kind as soon as possible.

One of the most widely discussed, and of course, one of the most important questions in regard to the education for the deaf is methods employed in our schools. In this respect, there has been a tremendous change since Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet established the Hartford School. It seems to be pretty well agreed now by the most experienced educators of the deaf, that a large proportion of the deaf children can be as well educated by oral methods as by any other. Dr. Edward M. Gallaudet, himself, put the proportion at two-thirds. Some of our experienced English friends, who are, I believe, fairly unbiased after much longer experience in education than we have had, put the proportion at three-fourths.

A very interesting investigation in this line was made by Dr. Rudolph Pintner, some years ago. It brought tentative conclusions which should be followed up. The investigation seemed to point to the fact that those having good natural ability can, generally speaking, learn satisfactorily under the oral method, while those not naturally well mentally equipped make more progress under manual methods than could rightly be expected from their native intelligence. What does this mean?

From the survey made by Professor Fustfeld and Professor Day, which involved mental tests of thousands of deaf children, it is hoped that this interesting suggestion may be further elucidated. But it seems on the face of it, absurd to expect to develop to the best advantage mentally all deaf children, some of whom enter school late, some born deaf, some partially deaf, and some low down in the mental scale while others are very high, by any one narrow method.

There seems to be an unreasonable prejudice in some quarters against the free employment of the English language through the manual alphabet in instructing deaf children. As this is only a very rapid method of writing and has been employed for many years with great success in connection with speech and lip reading in the Rochester School, it would seem a most splendid addition to our educational aids for many deaf children. Nor has anything yet been discovered to take the place of the sign language in the quickening and awakening of some children, and in the presentation of interesting matter graphically and clearly to large bodies of deaf people.

Some of our English friends believe that the ultimate solution of all the question of methods in school work lies in the proper classification of deaf school children. An interesting experiment in this connection is being tried out by the London County Council. Their plan is to put all deaf children in oral

day schools first. The hearing of all is carefully tested and those who have a considerable amount are given special auricular and oral work daily and kept part of each day with hearing children not in special schools. All children in the day schools for the deaf who do not make satisfactory progress orally are transferred to a residential institution, where manual methods of instruction are also used. At the age of 13, those yet remaining in the oral day schools are transferred, boys and girls separately, to residential schools, where three or more years of work largely devoted to trades teaching is given. Just what the final results of this plan will be it is difficult to know, but some of our own experienced educators are beginning to feel that it should be tried out in this country; I understand that there is a possibility of New York State being a field for such an experiment.

In our States where there is only one State residential school, it seems to me, without question, that the proper system of education is that of using every possible method to advance the pupil educationally, and that after a thorough trial with oral teaching pupils should have the advantage of the manual alphabet and later on the inspiring and elevating influence of the sign language well used in Chapel lectures and public gatherings. Instead of restricting methods of teaching by law, schools should be encouraged to promote the individual pupil's education in every way possible.

The value of speech and lip reading to the deaf cannot be over estimated. It is a serious question, however, how successful this work has been in many of our schools. A distinguished foreign visitor coming to this country recently told me that, while he finds the lip-reading of our pupils good, he considers the speech work inferior. Results of the survey spoken of before, in connection with speech and lip-reading, which have already been published in the *Annals*, bear out the fact that the speech of many of our pupils can be much improved. It might be well to emphasize at this time what was said at the Staunton meeting of the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf, by Dr. Caroline Yale, that what our schools need is not more speech teaching but better speech teaching. I think this statement still holds good.

In conclusion, may I say again that the deaf of this country are to be congratulated upon the progress already made in the education of our deaf children. They are, however, themselves the product of our schools. They are certainly entitled to criticize methods used and to make suggestions for improvements. I cannot understand anyone who takes an opposite view to this statement. Criticism, however, is all of little worth unless it is constructive and reasonable. The value of the school depends almost entirely upon the character of the teachers, the spirit and energy of its head, and a desire to advance the pupils educationally in mental training and in morals—in short, on results. As long as any school is turning out creditable work for all its pupils, it should be given have support by your association.

I am sure that with your backing in the future much advancement may still be made in taking all of our institutions away from the political field, in making them understood generally to be strictly educational institutions, in helping them provide the best of manual training and better paid teachers, so that they may continue with even more success to turn out competent, independent, graduates, able to serve themselves and serve others as God-fearing citizens of our great country.

Mr. P. L. Stevenson, who is deputy recorder of Hancock Co., Ohio, and a magician of some note, attended an International convention of some 150 members recently at Kenton, Ohio. The convention condemned the practice of those who for pay or otherwise publish the secrets of the art, and those who in their performances expose any or a part of their program.

Portland, Oregon.

Mr. James O'Leary, of Spokane, Wash., was a recent visitor in Portland, he spent one week here, being the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Courtland Greenwald. During his stay he took in the Frat Picnic on Sunday, July 25th. On Thursday night, July 29th, about twenty-five friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Reichle in honor of big Jim. Mr. O'Leary is not a real stranger by name as he is well-known by many deaf throughout the Pacific Coast and the Middle West. Jim took in the joint picnic held by Portland and Seattle Frats at Centralia, Wash., after which he spent three days in Seattle before returning home. Come again Jim, we always like to see your smiling face. Mr. O'Leary asks all Portland deaf who can to come to Spokane during Labor Day, as there will be a big Picnic there.

NOTICE

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of a deaf man by the name of Mr. William Kopieske, kindly inform or write to his daughter, Mrs. William Zuercher, whose address is Garibaldi, Ore. The lady named above has not seen her father for sixteen years, and very anxious to find him.

The joint picnic given by the Portland-Seattle Frats brought out over two hundred deaf from Oregon and Washington. The two days, July 31st and August 1st, were really enjoyed by all. Everybody was comfortably situated in either a cabin or tent. Saturday was reception day with a big dance in the evening. During the dance, songs were signed by Mrs. J. O. Reichle, Miss E. Morton and Miss E. Hoganson. The last named was the cutest and prettiest of all. After the ball all went to their respective lodgings to get a few hours' sleep, waking up Sunday morning early. Looking out, it really looked like a deaf town with the fingers going in all directions.

Then all went to the ball park to witness a hot game between Portland and Seattle, which came out even. Although in the first four innings it looked bad for Portland with only three runs to Seattle nine. But, oh boy, with Hudson as catcher, and Taylor as pitcher, the Portland boys showed some speed by getting five in the 6th inning, two in the 7th, and one in the 8th, making 11 to 11. Games were played for prizes. The Tug-of-War was a hot contest. Portland being the stronger, pulled the Seattle boys clear over the line. Speeches by the Centralia Mayor, Jim O'Leary, of Spokane, Mr. Wright, of Seattle, and Mr. C. H. Linde and Mr. Coates, of Portland. Songs again by Mrs. Reichle, Miss Morton and a fine song by Miss Alice Wilberg, of North Dakota.

Thus ended one of the best picnics ever had by the two neighboring States.

Praise should be given Mr. Root of Seattle and Mr. Greenwald of Portland and their aides, for the success from the way they controlled the event.

The baseball game was started by the Centralia Mayor as pitcher and Jim O. Leary of Spokane at the bat.

A party was given at the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Owens out near McMinnville, Ore., one Sunday recently, by Mr. S. Harris, who is a brother of Mrs. Owens. Those who were present were Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Lindstrom, of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Craven, of Tillamook; Mr. and Mrs. M. Werner, of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Craven, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lynch, of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Hans Christenson, of Salem; Mrs. A. Kautz, of Portland; Mrs. Elkins, a visitor S. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Owens.

Mr. George Riley, of Victoria, B. C., who a few years ago while in Portland and Vancouver, Wash., asked the writer why so many American men wear eyeglasses. Well, Mr. Riley, the writer has been long in answering your question, so here it goes. Since American women have worn short skirts, skirts

colored hose or rather say x-ray hose and the long bright sunny days, it had a little bad effect on some eyes, this is the best reason I can give. "Ha ha!" Now Mr. Riley, I wish to ask you a question. Why do Canadians carry a cane, and why carry one glove when out walking.

Portland Frats may hold a three days outing during Labor Day, out near Tillamook Beach, on Mr. Kautz's ground. Wives and sweethearts will accompany.

Mr. L. Divine, of Vancouver, Wash., has changed his old car for a brand new and swell Buick Sedan, and drove his family to the big picnic in Centralia, Sunday, the 1st of August. Centralia is 100 miles from Vancouver.

Mr. James White, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. White, and Miss Mildred Seeley, were given a kitchen shower recently. The young couple will be married in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kautz, with Mr. J. La Motte as a passenger, motored from the joint picnic at Centralia to Seattle, then to Victoria and Vancouver, B. C., where they will spend a couple of weeks. Miss Ethel Morton accompanied them as far as the Puget Sound.

Mr. C. H. Linde will have a ten days vacation during August. He has planned to take his family for a tour of the Puget Sound and Victoria, B. C., and other northern towns, they will travel in their fine Chevrolet Sedan. It will be a much needed rest for Mr. Linde, who has been working steady at his position as linotype for one of Portland's leading newspaper. Not even a chance for a Saturday night off. But he has one of the finest positions of any deaf with high wages. We wish them good luck and a hot time on their trip.

H. P. N.

Aug. 12, 1926.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.

CIA SMAT'S MET AFTER 23 YEARS SEPARATION.

Rhode Island School old pupils met each other for the first time since school days in 1902.

Mrs. Albert Balmuth (née Esther Cohen), formerly of Providence, R. I., now resident of Newark, N. J., spent her vacation by visiting her brother in Springfield, Mass., and later with her parents in Providence.

Mr. Balmuth happens to notice her old friends in Providence by trying to locate some of the Deaf pupils of her girlhood days.

She was escorted to the home of Mr. and Miss E. G. Thompson by Mr. Arthur Arnold shortly after 8 p.m., on Friday evening, August 6th.

Mr. E. G. Thompson was a class mate and friend of Esther, and he was rejoicing over the affairs in meeting each other for the first time in twenty-three years. Mrs. Balmuth was much surprised to see Providence environments, being change to a Great White City.

The following day Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Thompson entertained some of her friends at their home in honor of Mrs. Balmuth.

Among those who took part of the reception were Mr. Henry Colin, Miss Bella Bromson, Mr. Arthur Arnold, and Mr. John Welch and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mitchell, formerly of Providence, have moved their home in Plymouth, Mass., where Mr. Mitchell has a fine position as a wool worker.

Mr. Phillip C. Shine has returned home to Providence, after spending two weeks vacation with his uncle and aunt in Bangor, Me. He reported a wonderful time.

The village of Sharon, Kan., has found a way to keep a good doctor. Two hundred residents of Sharon and the surrounding country formed an association, each member of which was to pay \$15 a year for medical attendance and an additional fee for any night calls. With that guaranty they were able to get a first-class doctor who not only answers calls in cases of sickness, but spend part of his time in preventing sickness. He says that he is seldom called unnecessarily.

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"He's true to God who's true to man;
Wherever wrong is done
To the humblest and the weakest
'Neath the all-beholding sun,
That wrong is also done to us,
And they are slaves most base,
Whose love of right is for themselves,
And not for all the race."

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THE Conference of Episcopal ministers of the Deaf at Philadelphia was a most successful one. The deaf clergy in attendance numbered fifteen, and through all of their several sessions demonstrated that an earnest effort is being made to uplift the temporal and spiritual condition of the deaf everywhere—and that practically means the United States.

Sandwiched between these sessions was the meeting of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf, outlined in the address of President Smilau, which for brevity and cogency is a model of its kind. It will be printed in full in a future issue of the JOURNAL. Though an off year, the attendance was quite large, and one can not help but admire the solidarity of the Pennsylvania deaf.

Tos-Superintendent Gruver, who by the way is wearing the mantle of the late Dr. A. L. E. Crouter with dignity combined with personal magnetism, a great deal of thanks is due. He proved hospitable, friendly and energetic.

To Rev. Mr. Smaltz of all Souls' Church much praise is accorded for his skillful and able management under a dual role—as entertainer of the Conference, and as secretary of the P. S. A. D.

THE address at Gallaudet College by its President, Dr. Percival Hall, on the Educational Needs of the Deaf, should be read and pondered by all engaged in the profession, as well as by the deaf themselves. We print it in full in the present number of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL. It is a frank and well expressed resume of present conditions and does not omit recognition and appreciation of the powerful influences of our National Association.

The deaf members exhibited again the thoughtlessness of attendants at previous conventions, in that so many failed to get certificates, when purchasing railroad tickets, that all were obliged to pay full fare on the return. There were four times the number present than was required for half-fare returns home, but we are told that Mr. Pach labored for three days to collect the necessary number of certificates to save the half-fare situation. He failed by a full hundred to fill the requirements of the railroads. Will the deaf never learn sense? Instead of letting "George do it," do it yourself, and hereafter there will be no dismay and disappointment.

All this aside, the Fifteenth Triennial Convention was the most successful in the history of the association, and President Roberts deserves praise for his wise and patient and broad-minded conduct of the Association's affairs since he was elected to guide it at the Atlanta

WASHINGTON.

Fifteenth Triennial Convention

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF

Report of the Meeting, Held August 9th to 14th—The Resolutions—The New Officers.

SPECIALLY REPORTED FOR THE JOURNAL.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14TH.

The business of the closing session, which was held in the hall of the New Willard, centered upon the formal resolutions and the election of officers. The resolutions are given in full.

RESOLUTIONS

EDUCATION OF THE DEAF

WHEREAS, A large part of the hearing public, especially parents of deaf children, has not always been correctly informed in regard to the relative value of the Oral Method when used alone in the education of deaf children, and

WHEREAS, Parents' Associations exert a large influence in the choice of methods of instruction, often to the detriment of their own children; and

WHEREAS, From our own experience, and extensive acquaintance with the deaf education both orally and otherwise, we believe that our views are entitled to consideration, and we therefore ask the attention of all interested in the education of the deaf to the following declaration of principles:

We believe that every deaf child is entitled to the best education he is capable of receiving;

We believe that the Oral Method alone does not give every child this chance and that the methods best adapted to the employment of the child should be employed;

We believe that there is much good in the Oral Method, but that it is misused to the detriment of many children and that the manual method is not given a fair chance;

We believe that the moral, social and religious welfare of the deaf can be best secured through the use of the combined system of instruction which includes all methods and adapted each to the individual requirements of the child;

We believe that while the wishes of parents should be given careful consideration, the choice of the methods of instruction should be left to experienced educators who have an extensive knowledge of the results of different methods of instruction, and a sympathetic interest in the deaf;

We believe that to prescribe methods by law is wrong in principle, unjust in execution, and harmful to the deaf;

We believe that the industrial departments in the schools should be placed on a greatly advanced plane to keep pace with the advance in manual instruction in schools for the hearing.

THE SIGN LANGUAGE

WHEREAS, Speech reading is practicable only for individual conversation and does not enable the deaf to understand sermons, lectures, debates, and the like; and

WHEREAS, The sign language offers the only practicable and satisfactory means by which the deaf may understand sermons and lectures, participate in debate and discussions, and enjoy mental recreation and culture;

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Convention that all the deaf, including those taught by the oral method, should have the privilege of using the sign language while at school.

GREETINGS

Resolved, That we convey our greetings to Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, our most distinguished teacher of the deaf, first Lady of the Land, and to the President of our beloved Nation.

THE DEAF MOTORIST

WHEREAS, It has been demonstrated beyond doubt that the deaf are, as a rule, safe and capable operators of motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, The automobile is in this day and country a necessary and convenient vehicle for travel, for business and of recreation; and

WHEREAS, The deaf, as citizens, are taxed to build and maintain the highways; therefore, be it

Resolved, That Association is unqualifiedly opposed to legislative or to action by the Highway Commissioners of the various States which would deprive the deaf as a class from the privilege of operating motor vehicles solely upon the ground of deafness; and be it, further,

Resolved, That we commend the successful efforts on the part of the New Jersey Branch of this Association and the Pennsylvania Association for the Advancement of the Deaf, in having such unjust and discriminatory legislation removed from the statute books of their respective States.

CONDEMNATION OF CLASSIFICATION AS DEFECTIVE.

WHEREAS, Efforts are constantly being made by various individual and bodies to classify the deaf as defective with the insane imbeciles, Chronic Alcoholics, and the like; and

WHEREAS, The deaf are respectable, loyal, self-supporting citizens and normal in every respect save in the absence of hearing; be it, therefore

Resolved, That this Association unqualifiedly condemns any and all efforts to classify the deaf as defective; and be it, further

Resolved, That we favor placing all schools for the deaf under State Boards of Education, as has already been done in some States.

COMPENSATIVE LAW RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS There is a tendency in various States to deprive or to restrict deaf workmen from the benefits of Workmen's Compensation Laws; and

WHEREAS, The deaf are capable, faithful, efficient workmen, and are no more liable

to disabling accidents than their hearing brethren; be it, therefore

Resolved, That this Association go upon record as opposing the exclusion of the deaf workman from the benefits of compensation laws in occupations where the handicap of deafness does not add to the likelihood of accidents.

LABOR BUREAUS FOR THE DEAF

WHEREAS, The deaf are frequently handicapped in securing employment; and

WHEREAS, The State Labor Bureaus for the Deaf in Minnesota and North Carolina have performed a valuable service in educating employers concerning the real capabilities of the deaf as workmen; be it, therefore

Resolved, That this Association endorse the work of the above mentioned labor bureaus; and be it, further

Resolved, That we favor the establishment of Labor Bureaus for the Deaf in all the States and by the Department of Labor of the United States Government.

THOMAS HOPKINS GALLAUDET

WHEREAS, Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet has been recognized as the pioneer of the public education of the deaf in the United States; and

WHEREAS, His career as a distinguished American deserves recognition; be it, therefore

Resolved, That the National Association of the Deaf take the necessary steps in presenting the claim of the friend and benefactor of the Deaf to a place in the Hall of Fame, New York University.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS

Resolved, That we vote with pleasure the fact that in most States Schools for the Deaf continue to receive liberal support, and for this we desire to express our appreciation.

COMMITTEE ON GALLAUDET STATUE REPLICATION

WHEREAS, The Committee on the Gallaudet Statue Replica, after sixteen years of hard and faithful work, has completed its task to the satisfaction of all;

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are due to this Committee for its excellent work.

PUBLIC RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, The majority of the States in the United States have a single public residential school for the deaf;

WHEREAS, In certain small States there are more than one public residential school for the deaf; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we favor the principle of a single public residential school for the deaf in States having a small population, preferably of the combined system type, on grounds of economy and efficiency.

AFFILIATION WITH THE N. A. D.

WHEREAS, The National Association of the Deaf has frequently in the past cooperated with State and local associations of the Deaf to mutual advantage in promoting the general welfare of the deaf; and

WHEREAS, State and local associations of the deaf, are the ideal medium for augmenting the membership of the N. A. D.; be it, therefore

Resolved, That we view with satisfaction the fact that a number of State and local associations of the Deaf have been affiliated with us and that we express the sincere hope that other similar associations will follow this example.

N. A. D. LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Resolved, That we endorse heartily the vigorous campaign that the administration has undertaken in the last three years to increase the endowment fund, and that we call upon every deaf person in the country who has not done so to become a life member of the N. A. D., to the end that permanent headquarters in charge of salaried officers be established as soon as possible.

NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF

Resolved, That we endorse the work of the N. F. S. D., and hope that the cordial relations that have existed between the N. A. D. and the N. F. S. D. may continue.

NORMAL TRAINING FOR THE DEAF

Resolved, That we commend the action of the faculty of Gallaudet College and the Illinois State School for the Deaf for permitting students and deaf teachers to take normal courses, and that we express the hope that the scope of the Normal Department be extended along this line in due time.

POLITICAL CONTROL

Resolved, That we view with strong disapproval the part that politics has often played in the selection of unit heads of schools for the deaf, and that we favor the absolute removal of such schools from political control on the premise that they should be regarded as educational institutions.

THANKS

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to the following:

To the members of the Local Committee for their untiring efforts in providing entertainments for the convention;

To the deaf citizens of Washington for the liberal aid they gave to the Convention Fund;

To Miss Violet Colby for her splendid work as interpreter;

To the Chamber of Commerce of Washington for their enthusiastic support;

To the Superintendent of Mt. Vernon Estate for courtesies extended to the Convention;

To Major U. S. Grant, to the War Department, and to the officials of the Library of Congress, for courtesies extended;

To Mr. Arthur L. Roberts for his splendid work as President of our Association during the past triennial, and to the officers of the Executive Board for the faithful performance of their duties;

To the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, the Silent Worker, the Frat, and to the other papers published for the deaf, for active support of this Association in general and for aid given this convention in particular.

To the press of Washington for the excellent publicity given the Convention and to Mr. James Meagher for his aid in securing the interest of the Press in the proceedings of the convention.

To the Washington Division of the N. F. S. D. for financial aid given the local committee;

To President Hall and the Board of Directors of Gallaudet College for the use of their building and grounds;

To the management of the New Willard Hotel for the many favors conferred.

MICHAEL LAPIDES, Chairman,

DR. OLDF HANSON,

REV. H. J. PULVER,

REV. C. W. CHARLES,

VINCENT DUNN,

Committee on Resolutions.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

The new officers are: President, Arthur L. Roberts, Chicago; Vice-

Presidents, Marcus L. Kenner, of New York City, and Miss Clara Belle Rogers, of Cedar Springs, South Carolina; Secretary-Treasurer, Frederick E. Moore, of Trenton, N. J.; Board Members, Michael Lapides, of New Haven, Ct., William Schaub, of St. Louis, and Dr. Olof Hanson, of Seattle. Trustee, 9-year-term, Harley D. Drake, of Washington, D. C.

After announcements were made, Miss Doris Ballance recited in beautiful signs, "Home, Sweet Home."

President Roberts then proclaimed adjournment sine die.

After benediction the assembly dispersed to meet again in convention three years hence.

CHICAGO.

My brilliant bubble's busted;
My dainty dreams are dead;
Three hundred deaf, I trusted,
Would board the train I led.
Ah, woe of woes, the deed is done—
They only numbered thirty-one!

Just thirty-one! And I had counted on at least seventy-five! There is only one consolation—my fear for a shortage of certificates was justified. We were ninety-eight shy, and Chicago's contingent buying reduced-rate round-trip tickets came home jubilant!

One hundred Chicago silents bade good-bye to the NAD conventioners at Union Station, Saturday night, August 7th, when two special Pullman jeeps pulled out on the Gotham limited at 8:15.

For various reasons, a dozen apparently sure passengers backed out. C. C. Codman's sister died that morning, and Miss Goldie Newman's niece died the day before. The four Milwaukee lads went by auto. So did the W. McGanns, in Fancher's big Buick. The train bearing the Des Moines beauties pulled in ten minutes after our "Nad Special" chugged out. Just 31 were aboard when we left Union Station, instead of the expected 75 to 100.

Yes, dearly beloved, "Gib's Special" to St. Paul, put it all over our "Nad Special." Still we had a right royal, rollicking good time.

The thirty-one starting from Chicago were: President Roberts and wife; C. Russell and wife from La Salle; C. Korosek and wife—on their honeymoon; W. Vaughan and his mother; Mrs. Olsen and Mrs. Fred Fawcner from Jacksonville; Misses Geraldine Gibbons, Alexia Ferguson, Tillie Cohen, Mary Stein, Molly Liss, Mamie Flynn, of Chicago; Miss Virginia Dries, of Peoria, Misses Elise Kaiser and Marjorie Miles, of Hammond, Ind.; Whitmore, of LaPorte, Ind.; W. Nelson, of Davenport, Iowa; Frank Johnson, C. Powers, C. Claeys, F. Lee, F. Rice, W. Windanay, W. Jacobs and J. Meagher, of Chicago; Neumer Pike, of San Francisco, Leo Holway, of Omaha.

At Fort Wayne, Ind., Miss Grace Clark and her sister from Michigan, were picked up. At Pittsburg, Vincent Dunn, Mrs. Wm. O'Neil and Robert Nathanson were taken aboard. The Pullman from St. Louis was not attached to our Pullman until arrival at Harrisburg around 3 p.m., and the coach passengers were not allowed to enter the Pullmans, after all. That spilled some of the fun, but a good time was enjoyed anyway. With the addition of the Schaub load, fifty-three silents were aboard when we pulled into Washington at 7:05, Sunday night.

I selected the Pennsylvania for its "pick-ups" at junction points, but not half a dozen "pick-ups" were picked up. In that respect the trip was a ghastly disappointment. Misplaced tickets, dissatisfaction with their Pullman reservations, queries as to hotels and other trifles, all combined to make life a nightmare. I have sworn off handling "special trains" that don't "special." Never again!

Mrs. Walter Whitson and son, accompanied by Mrs. Meagher and son, made the round trip in a Ford sedan. Charles Vanzito and Charles Krauel left Chicago on the 31st, traveling in their car to Detroit, Niagara Falls, Boston and Washington, arriving on the 11th. They remained a day, then returned via Pittsburg.

Chicago's Lydia McNeil and her brand-new husband, John Wondrack, of Akron, were there on their honeymoon.

President Roberts, of Chicago, was re-elected by acclamation, and so was Secretary-Treasurer Frederick Moore, who spent the summer of 1917 as a Chicagoan. Mrs. Wm. McGann's sign-singing was one of the hits of the convention, delivering the "Star Spangled Banner" on opening night and her "Yankee Doodle" Wednesday morning, and at Thursday's banquet. Beautiful Miss Geraldine Gibbons also sang one of my songs at the banquet. She was down to render another of my dog-gone doggerels at Wednesday's session, but was prostrated by the heat and unable to leave her room all day. It is said there were just forty-seven Chicagoans at Washington—against the lone Chicago representative at Atlanta, 1923—and Chicago got more than her fair share of glory during our big national convention.

Fred Woodworth's eldest daughter was married on the 3d.

George Bateman left for a visit in Denver with relatives, on the 7th.

He recently returned from the Knights of De l'Epee convention in Boston, July 4th to 12th.

Rev. P. J. Hasenstab and family, are summering at their Lake Delavan cottage. "Fishing is poor," he says.

As this is written, my fair frau is still somewhere en route from Washington. So the local items are few and far between. Frau Frieda customarily corrals most of the news; without her I am a gone goose. So this ends the letter.

Dates ahead: September 4 and 5—Two big days at the Silent A. C.—combination \$1. Gala time assured. Sept. 6—Annual Labor Day picnic for the Home for Aged Deaf, at Kolze's Park.

J. FREDERICK MEAGHER.

SEATTLE.

The Gallaudet Guild picnic at Mt. Baker Park, on July 25th, was well attended by those belonging to the Guild, and in the afternoon the number present was about forty.

Mr. Baker Park is a very convenient place for a picnic, being easily accessible from all parts of the city, and right beside Lake Washington. There is a municipal bath house on the lake shore, right by the park. As the picnic was held on a Sunday, there were no games. After the luncheon, which was served at 2 p.m., Mr. Robert C. Miller, gave an address, describing his travels this summer since leaving Morganton, and his impressions of the various places he had visited. The remainder of the afternoon and early evening was spent very quietly.

Mr. Miller was profoundly impressed by his week-end visit to Rainier National Park. He climbed two glaciers and a part of Mt. Rainier. He is now in Alaska, but expected back soon.

Mr. Russell Peterson, a young hearing man who had been a boarder in the Bodley family for two years and was greatly liked by the members, died not long ago in the Minor Hospital from an infected boil.

Mr. and Mrs. Trumbull, the latter a niece of John Bodley, left recently for Alaska, where both will teach. They were married last November in Medina. Under their contract with the Government, each gets \$1400, free transportation, house and all living expenses, their salaries only being paid them at the end of a year, on their return to Seattle. They then expect to attend the University of Washington to train for high school teachers.

Mrs. John Burgett passed through Seattle at 9:15 a.m., July 29th, en route to Michigan, where she expects to make a long visit to her brother. Returning, she will stop at Alexandria, Minn., to visit a sister of Mr. Burgett.

Mr. Karl F. Tiegell, a brother of Mrs. Hanson, was in Seattle for a day a couple weeks ago, returning with a party of 120 from a purchasing agents' convention in Los Angeles. It was the first time Mr. Tiegell had been west of Chicago. He is purchasing agent of the Pittsburgh Piping and Equipment Company, and also a director of the company. A younger brother, Ronald, is superintendent of construction in the same company.

Mr. La Motte, of Chicago, is now in Seattle, and may reside in Tacoma if he obtains a position there. We shall be glad to have him stay west.

Miss Marguerite Gorman recently gave another of her pleasant little evening parties, to which she invited about twenty of her deaf friends. Games were played, and it was late in the evening before the guests departed.

Miss Ethel Morton is in Seattle now visiting for a few days, and has been invited out by many of her friends, all of whom are glad to see her. She says she hopes to remain west for good, and has prospects of a good position in Tacoma. She made the trip to Rainier with Mr. and Mrs. Kautz, of Portland, and did some climbing. The great elevation, however, was too much for her, and she felt very exhausted on reaching Seattle.

Ralph Reichle, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Reichle, of Portland, recently attended a National Christian Endeavor Convention in Seattle, and had a room with the Hansons while here. The church where the meetings were held was a convenient block from the house, and Ralph says he greatly enjoyed them. The last day before returning home he went up to Rainier National Park with a number of other delegates. Ralph is planning to enter the Oregon Agricultural College this fall.

Miss Diane Ingraham is visiting relatives in Illinois and Wisconsin, and is now at Bass Lake, Wis. Traveling towards Bass Lake, Diane says she had breakfast in Iowa, dinner in Minnesota, and supper in Wisconsin. Cass Lake is large and beautiful, with lots of lilies, and fine swimming. There is plenty of good fishing, and in the woods near can be obtained quantities of raspberries. Diane expects to return to Spokane the first week in September, as she thinks Illinois and Wisconsin would be too cold to stay in for the winter.

Mr. James O'Leary, the famous Irishman of Spokane, cheered us all

up by dropping into town for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Reeves had him to dinner one night and a party for him in the evening, and Mrs. Hanson had a few friends meet him at dinner the next night. He also had a hearing cousin and one or two friends to look up. Jim is the same strong card when it comes to conversation, and had an attentive group around him, wherever he was. He is looking very prosperous, and might easily be taken for a Chicago alderman.

Dr. Hanson, while passing through Pittsburgh en route to Philadelphia, stopped a couple of hours, and lunched with his daughters and his sister-in-law, Miss Bertha Tiegell, at one of the Pittsburgh clubs. We understand that the Rev. Homer Grace, of Colorado, was with him.

Misses Marion and Alice Hanson have secured reservations on a big liner leaving, on September 2d, for San Francisco, by way of the Panama Canal. They will change boats at Frisco, reaching Seattle about September 23d.

Mrs. Mary Banister, of Spokane, passed away July 22d. She is survived by her husband. Mrs. Banister attended the Kansas School. She was ill a long time before her passing.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Silk, of Spokane, have a brand new home of five rooms. They came from Texas, and Mr. Silk is a tailor by trade.

There were about two hundred deaf people at the Centralia picnic, July 31st and August 1st, most of them coming from Portland. There were many field events, the most exciting being the baseball game and the tug-of-war between the Portland and Seattle Frat teams. The baseball game was stopped at the end of the tenth inning, so that the players could get their dinner. It was a hotly contested game, ending in a 11-11 tie. The teams were evenly matched. LeRoy Bradbury pitched a fine game for Seattle, as did Taylor for Portland. The Portlanders won the tug-of-war after about fifteen minutes of struggle. Miss Alice Wilberg rendered beautifully "The Star Spangled Banner," and Miss Ethel Morton declaimed "Yankee Doodle." Mayor Barnes, of Centralia, mingled with the deaf every minute of the two days, and made a short speech which was interpreted by Ralph Reichle.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Deer and their baby drove down in their Ford Coupe. Mr. Deer is working in the big Reed mill at Shelton. Mrs. Deer was formerly Lulu Watts, Gallaudet graduates class of '19.

There were six members of the Gallaudet class of '22 at Centralia. They were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Werner, of the Minnesota and Oregon Schools, who are now teachers at the Salem School; Mr. Dewey Coats, Arkansas, now working as carpenter in Portland; Miss Julia Dodd of Oregon. Girls' supervisor at the Vancouver School; Mr. Dewey Deer, of Shelton, and Mr. Oscar Sander, of Seattle. Had Mr. McNeal, of Vancouver and Mrs. Arthur Classen attended, the class of '22 would have had eight representatives. The latter is now visiting relatives at Monroe. She was Letha Steurnagle. Mr. Otto Johnne and Mr. Ernest Gallagher have applied for membership in the N. T. S. D. LeRoy Bradbury will send in his application next month.

Howard Woods is back in Seattle after living in Los Angeles for several years. He is not going back, if he can find steady work here.

Mr. Dean Horn, printing instructor at the Vancouver School, is attending the Mergenthaler Linotype School at San Francisco, taking a six weeks' course learning the mechanism of various machines. He will be back at Vancouver next year.

We hear that Mr. Bjorquist is also in Frisco sight-seeing.

Mr. John Brinkman harvesting at Mt. Vernon.

Bill Henrich is now working in an Anacortes sawmill. The boys will miss him from their bowling team.

After Mr. and Mrs. Kautz returned in their car from Mt. Ranier, they visited relatives in Bremerton. They are now in British Columbia and will visit the Rileys in Victoria before returning to Portland.

Seattle and Portland are talking of taking advantage of the excursion rate to Spokane for Labor Day, and many may go.

THE HANSONS.

August 11, 1926.

Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Charles, who attended the Deaf Ministers of the Episcopal Church Convention at Philadelphia and then the N. A. D. Convention, had an unwelcome visitor at their home on the evening of the 13th, as the clipping from the Ohio State Journal says:

FIRE IN MINISTER'S HOME.

Fire discovered in the home of Rev. C. W. Charles, 472 South Ohio Avenue, late last night, caused damage estimated at \$50. It was said to have been caused by an electric iron, which was left, with current attached, standing on an ironing board in the house yesterday morning. Rev. Mr. Charles was said to be away on a vacation.

SWEDEN AND THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The following is a short review taken from a very fine book on the "Care and Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb in Sweden," edited by Johan Bergqvist, Principal of the Deaf and Dumb School in Lund, and translated into English by Hugo Candwell, English Lecturer in the University of Lund.

The originator of the instruction of the Deaf and Dumb in Sweden, Par Aron Borg, entered the Civil Service in 1880, and was advanced to the position of Public Recorder in 1809. The same year he founded the public institute for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind in Stockholm, and three years later,

NEW YORK.

News items for this column should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.

A few words of information in a letter or postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

THE BROOKLYN FRATS' PICNIC.

The Eighteenth Annual Picnic and Games of the Brooklyn Division, No. 23, N. F. S. D., at Ulmer Park Athletic Field, foot of 25th Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., despite the sudden cold weather, and the showers of the afternoon, was a decided success, both financially and social. Over eight hundred were present during the afternoon and evening, many coming from distant places, having lingered in New York after attending the N. A. D. convention at Washington, D. C., in order to take in this picnic.

The first thing on the program was the baseball game between the Margraf A. C. and the New York Silents. Up to the fourth inning, it looked like a very close game, each side having scored but one run, and home run at that. The pitching was pretty good, and the fielders also played an errorless game, but in the fifth inning, the Margraf boys got rattled, and the result was that the New York Silents scored several runs.

The game ended in the sixth inning by mutual consent to enable the management of the Picnic to run off the field games.

The score was: N. Y. Silents, 7; Margraf A. C., 1.

Messrs. Max Cohen and M. Mosier umpired the game, and gave entire satisfaction.

A very pretty loving cup, suitably engraved went to the winning team.

The field games followed the baseball game, and during almost the entire time an uncomfortable drizzling continued, sending most of the spectators into the covered pavilion.

The Judges of the games were Reddy Latanzio, Sam Goldstone and Anthony Capelle; Thomas Lynam was starter, and Max Cohen Timer.

Following is the result:

100-yards dash—Won by E. Bradley; L. Allen, second.

50-yards dash (ladies)—Won by Miss Sylvia Auerbach; Miss Sarah Egan, second.

440-yards run—Won by George Price; Louis Rosensweet, second. 50-yards run (kiddies of both sexes)—Won by Walter Pease; Bernard Nichter, second.

Field Throwing—Won by Mollie Getsdorf.

Two-mile run—Won by F. Heintz; A. Manning, second.

50-yards dash (girls under 9 years)—Won by Mary Davis.

One Mile Relay—Three teams were entered, the Senior and Junior Margraf teams and the N. Y. Silent team. The Margraf Senior, won easily; the Margraf Juniors came in second. The winning team was composed of A. Lander, E. Kerwin, P. Blend and J. Kostyk. The Junior team: Sam Forman, H. Carroll, M. Forman and C. Jacobucci.

A silver loving cup went to the winners of the one-mile relay race, and silver and bronze medals to first and second in the other track events. Cash prizes were awarded in the kiddies races and also to the ladies races.

After the field games, most assembled in the covered pavilion, some went to Coney Island, a few hastened to work, as some of our boys work at night.

Others continued to come—in fact, they kept coming in till almost eleven o'clock.

So far this year, all the affairs have had a Charleston contest, and at this affair this was included. The Judges (Miss Lena Stoloff, L. Davis and Joe Kraus) decided that Miss Jennie Stolf and Mr. George Price were the winners, and each received \$2.50.

The prizes were awarded to the winners by President Tom Cosgrove, who complimented them on their success.

Although the dancing floor was crowded, by the aid of the three blue coats and the Committees' Deputies—Messrs. Prinsing, J. Stigliabotti, Ed. Anno, it was made possible to clear at least the centre of the floor for dancing, which was kept up till midnight.

The floor manager was Henry Hecht, and he was ably assisted by Herman Camman.

Among the out-of-town, who came from a distance were: Claiborne Jackson, or Cuba; Maxione Morris, of Atlanta, Ga.; Roy Hawley, of Seattle, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Midget, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Ernest Hoffman, of San Francisco, Cal.; Miss Eleanor Atwater, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Greenberg, of Syracuse, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. McQuade, of Albany, N. Y.; A. Treescott, of Pennsylvania; Joe Krans, of Schenectady, N. Y.

The Committee of Arrangements, to whom the success of the affair is due, were most courteous, and made

strangers feel at home, but they had their hands full arranging things, so if any felt other than pleased, they beg through this write-up to be pardoned for overlooking same.

The Committee of Arrangements consisted of M. Robin (Chairman), A. Hitchcock (Vice-Chairman), M. Josephs (Treasurer), M. Mosier, W. Siebel, J. Arnovich, L. Schindler, T. Timberg, P. Redington, H. Belsky.

The officers of the Brooklyn Division, No. 23, N. F. S. D., are: President, Thomas Cosgrove; Vice-President, Benjamin Friedwald; Secretary, L. Cohen; Treasurer, J. Blumenthal; Trustees, A. Hitchcock, H. Brauer and J. Dennen.

The Silver Jubilee Banquet and Entertainment of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, which is given by the Brooklyn Division, the Manhattan Division, Bronx Division, Newark Division and Jersey City Division, will come off on Saturday evening, August 28th, at 8 o'clock, at the Nuova Margellina, 2737 West 15th Street, near Neptune Avenue, Coney Island. Grand Secretary Gibson, will positively be present. The affair is to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the N. S. F. D., and the managing committee is: Messrs. John Stigliabotti, Jack Seltzer and Allen Hitchcock. It will welcome non-frats as well as Frats.

LUTHERAN NOTES.

A good time was had by all at the Lutheran Picnic at Forest Park, on August 15th. The weather was quite favorable. The prize winners were: Miss Warsaw of Cleveland, Mr. C. Ulmer, Mr. Weinstein, C. Peterson, C. Borgstrand, Albert Downs, and Margaret Borgstrand. The watch was won by Victor Lind, and the necklace by E. Prims.

Sunday the 22d, a surprise Birthday party was given in honor of Mr. H. C. Borgstrand. Fifty-two persons were presented. The party broke up in the sma' hours of the morning. May luck and happiness follow all the days of Borgstrand's life.

Mrs. Felix A. Simonson, and her friend, Miss Scovill, journeyed forth to Buffalo, the trip having been made in Miss Scovill's luxurious car. The first stop was made at Little Falls, N. Y., where they were entertained lavishly, by a friend of Mrs. Simonson. From there they proceeded to Buffalo with the intention of looking up some more friends, Mr. and Mrs. Weil. The places of interest visited are too numerous to mention, but after a rigid inspection by the customs officials were permitted to enter Canada, the first stop being Crystal Beach. They were delighted with the gorgeous scenery of Niagara Falls, and among the place of interest was Auburn Prison, Saratoga, Springs, Syracuse, Amsterdam, Rome, West Point, and various other beautiful towns.

The following deaf-mutes, after attending the N. A. D. Convention were in the city, and incidentally visited the rooms of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League last week: Robert Nathanson, Toledo, O.; Mrs. Ed. Sampson, Minneapolis, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Midget, Knoxville, Tenn.; Tillie Cohen, C. Valdo Bardeen; Hugh Barker, Chicago, Ill.; Ed. C. Hammond, E. Lynn, Mass.; Hyman Feigen, Mattapan, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Goth, Detroit, Mich.; Miss Emma Ricker, Detroit, Mich.; Charles Morris, Albany, N. Y.; Harold R. McQuade, Albany, N. Y.; Al. T. Love, Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Elkin went down to visit Mrs. G. Commander (nee G. Croluis) at Nesconset, Suffolk County, Long Island, on Sunday, August 22d, Miss Hitz accompanied them. Apples there are ripening, and Ben brought back with him about a bushel, and distributed to Deaf-Mutes' Union League members in the evening. Mrs. Elkins and Miss Hitz are to remain in Nesconset till September, but Ben will visit them during week-end.

Joseph Graham left on Saturday, August 21st, on the Clyde Line for Miami, Fla., for a fortnight's vacation. His brother lives there, and recently visited New York, so he will go to Florida for two weeks. He may stop in Cuba to see what that Republic is like.

News has just been received of the death of Mr. John Hogan, a graduate of the High Class of the New York Institution of nearly fifty years ago. He died, August 11th, of tuberculosis of the intestines, at Newburgh, N. Y.

Miss Esther H. Spanton, by order of her physician, is now taking a vacation of several weeks. She has been on the verge of a breakdown mentally and physically. She may either take an ocean trip or rest in the mountains.

Freda Goldwasser came home from Youngstown, Ohio, on August 17th, where she had been enjoying herself for a month. On August 18th, she went to the "Grossinger Hotel," Ferndale, N. Y.

Harry Glosten and Robert McGennis, of Sound Beach, Ct., have motored to the Adirondacks, where they will spend two weeks' vacation.

FANWOOD.

Mr. F. G. Fancher brought up a party to the Institution in his Buick auto on Wednesday afternoon—namely, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McGann, of Chicago, Ill., and Miss Mary Woolsey, a teacher at the Kentucky School for the Deaf, at Danville, Ky. They afterwards left for Coney Island, a place every deaf-mute who visits New York City hardly ever omits to see, so that when they return home they can tell the natives what a wonderful summer resort it really is.

On Tuesday, August 17th, while the JOURNAL was being printed, there were visitors, who after attending the N. A. D. Convention came here to see something of the Metropolis of the Nation, and incidentally, "Old Fanwood," and as aforesaid the JOURNAL being printed. They were Miss Helen Warsaw, of Bay City, Mich.; Misses Mamie Flynn and Virginia M. Dries, of Chicago, Ill.; Numer E. Pike, of San Francisco, Cal.; Gilbert N. Lind, of Essex, Ct.; Harry Danofsky, of Boston, Mass.; Messrs. Daniel Lynch, Jr., and Martin C. Voigt, of Brooklyn, N. Y., were also here at the same time.

The Tennis Court, which had been made as smooth as a ball-room waxed floor, and which has given both boys and girls much pleasure as well as relaxation, looks now more like a garden unweeded. This is on account of the heavy rains during July and the present month. It will take some time to again put it in the condition it was. In the boys' playground grass is also growing, and if we have much more rain, as in the past several weeks perhaps it will resemble the girls' side.

Fanwood and the JOURNAL office had four visitors on Friday, August 20th, who were shown around by Miss Craig. They were sightseeing in New York, on the return from the N. A. D. Convention at Washington, D. C., and in the afternoon went to Coney Island. They were: Mr. and Mrs. William E. Haenszel and Miss Charlotte Schwager, of Buffalo, and Miss Ruth G. Haller, of Batavia, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Midget, of Knoxville, Tenn., who attended the N. A. D. Convention in Washington, D. C., were met at the entrance of the boys' side. They were in their Chrysler sedan, in which they motored all the way from their home in Knoxville, Tenn. They had been sight-seeing in the city, and were on their way to see Mr. and Mrs. John N. Funk. In the evening they visited the rooms of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League, and made the acquaintance of quite a number of the members and also several visitors from out-of-town who were also there. Mr. Midget is the proprietor of the "Midget Shoe Shop" at 109 Gay Street, Knoxville, Tenn.

Entered into rest at the Berkshire County Home for old ladies, on South Street Pittsfield, Mass., August 18th, Mrs. Frances F. Herrick, aged 93. Mrs. Herrick was born in Lee, Mass., in 1833, the daughter of Benjamin and Angeline Fuller. She was first married to a Mr. Rice. At his death she came to the Fanwood School with her daughter. She was matron at the Mansion House for many years, and her daughter was a teacher. Mr. Herrick was also there, working under Supt. Brainerd, and married Mrs. Rice. They went to Geneva, N. Y., where they made their home for years, until his death. The funeral of Mrs. Rice was held at the Home, August 19th, Rev. Howard Parsons of the Congregational Church officiating. Burial in Geneva, N. Y.

On Tuesday afternoon, August 17th, among the spectators that saw the Yankees beaten by the Chicago Sox at the Yankee Stadium were seven boys who remain at the Institution during the summer vacation. Besides these boys there were other children from other Institutions of New York City, the guests of the Rotary Club.

Miss Grace Plourde, a tutor of the Boys' Kindergarten, is now in Springfield, Mass., where, she recently went from Washington, D. C. She was also in Philadelphia, Pa. She will spend two weeks at the place where she is now, and will return to duty here in September.

George Lynch, another pupil of Fanwood, has proved to be quite a hiker this summer, claiming to have hiked all the way to Altoona, Pa., and after a stay there of two weeks hiked back again. His brother, Daniel Jr., was in Washington to attend the N. A. D.

Ernest Marshall, one of the pupils, writing from Albany, N. Y., says he is enjoying his stay at the Capitol of the Empire State, and will have lots to tell the boys when he returns to school next month.

Miss Agnes Craig has returned to her duties here, after a pleasant vacation of a month spent in Philadelphia, Pa., and Atlantic City, N. J. She looks in perfect good health.

On Monday afternoon, August 23d, Mrs. Helen Hogan (nee Maxwell), and Miss Florence M. Hughes, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. Charles Indzonka (nee Costigan), of Newburgh, N. Y., were visitors in the JOURNAL office.

Miss Muirhead, our Matron, is in the "land of 10,000 lakes," Minnesota. She was in St. Paul recently, but is at this writing in Duluth.

Arne Olsen is having a good time at McMahon Island, Maine. He visited the Maine School for the Deaf on Monday, August 16th.

Mr. Cosmos Jacobucci, a graduate of '26, who lives in Union City, N. J., visited here last Friday.

A DEAF ARTIST WITH NEEDLE AND FLOSS

OMAHA ACCOUNTANT PURSUES HOBBY TO RECOGNITION BY FINE ARTS SOCIETY

To seek accomplishment with the needle as a means of livelihood is one thing in a man. To take to fine needlework as a hobby is quite another. For a man busily engaged each day in keeping columns of figures straight for a corporation doing an enormous business to turn from his ledgers and find diversion in artistic needlework of a quality bringing recognition from a society of fine arts is interesting, indeed. Such a man is Mr. Harry G. Long, of Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. Long's specialty is artistic embroidery. For many years he has found diversion in working out intricate patterns in colored floss, until now he has developed a talent for original shading of colors, and for accurate reproduction of nature's beauties from memory that has brought him wide acclaim. The growing honor has come with recognition from the Omaha Society of Fine Arts, which has invited him to place his work on exhibition as a member of their choice circle.

Mr. Long's latest creation is a most lifelike portrait in silk of a parakeet, done in thirty-four shades of color. Worked on a black background, framed, this creation represents a value of seventy-five dollars. Other recent creations include several parrots, flower groups, and a wonderful serving tray panel of flowers and exotic butterflies in the most delicate colors. The latter was worked out from memory while Mr. Long was kept home from his work for several weeks by sickness in the family. Most of his work is done at odd times about his home. He works with great rapidity, and it is nothing for him to finish an entire spray of flowers or the like in the same length of time an ordinary man would devote to his evening newspaper and cigar.

Most of Mr. Long's friends in Omaha and vicinity have been favored with examples of his work as gifts. He is noted for his generosity in this respect, apparently attaching no further value to his work after it has served its purpose as diversion for his evening hours. Officials of the Omaha Society of Fine Arts have labored to convince him of the financial value of his product, and hereafter his best pieces will be placed on public exhibition for sale at an honest valuation, along with the varied art work of other members of this society.

Mr. Long is an Iowan by birth and education, and attended Gallaudet College. While a resident of Council Bluffs, he married Miss Mabel Fritz, also an Iowan, at that time a teacher in the Iowa School. The couple later moved to Omaha, where Mr. Long became identified with the Woodmen of the World in a responsible capacity in the accounting department, which position he has since filled creditably. They have a lovely home and two fine children, daughter Grace and son Homer, and are active in Omaha fraternal and social circles among the deaf.

Mr. Long's first interest in embroidery was evidenced at a tender age, shortly after losing his hearing at the age of six years. He was cut off from childish companionship. He noticed a neighbor lady doing embroidery work, and became interested. For ten cents he bought a stamped doily with a violet design, including printed instructions and color plate. When he got home he threw the color plated away, which brought a scolding from his mother, who assured him he could not now expect to work out the colored design. Instead of the plate, the child went out and gathered a bunch of real violets, which he arranged on the table and studied, with the result that he did work out the design very creditably in natural colors.

Since that initial lesson Mr. Long has disdained color plates, and has worked as much as possible directly from nature. His only exceptions are exotic birds and flowers, which he cannot find locally for reproduction. In such cases he works from authentic color prints and paintings.

Much of his earlier work was displayed in Beno's store, at the old Boston store, and at Hospe's, in Council Bluffs. In Omaha, a display of his work in Thompson Belden's window on one of the busiest corners, first brought him to

the attention of officials in the Omaha Society of Fine Arts, who at once approached him for a promise of a comprehensive display of his work at the next general exhibition of the society to be held next fall. This will mean plenty of free advertising for Mr. Long, as well as recognition as an artist which will spread all over the country.

One of Mr. Long's early specialties was the decoration of wedding and ball gowns with silken embroidery for private customers. He still does work of this kind, but his present energies are devoted to a wide variety of artistic reproductions for home decoration. Mounted and framed, these reproductions, from a reasonable distance, cannot be distinguished from the first oil paintings, so naturally and harmoniously do the colors blend.—Tom L. Anderson, in Iowa Hawkeye.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Mr. Odie W. Underhill, who had been connected with the Florida School for the Deaf, at St. Augustine, for a number of years as a teacher and an athletic director, has just resigned to accept an offer from the North Carolina School for the Deaf at Morganton. The reason is that it is hoped that the change will benefit Mrs. Underhill's health.

The Columbia Division, No. 93, of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, co-operated by the Michaels Bible Class, are arranging to have a worthwhile and enjoyable week-end in Columbia for all who will avail themselves of the following: The special Frat meeting and the annual banquet, on Saturday, September 4th; religious service, auto-riding, etc., on Sunday, September 5th; and picnic, swimming and other frolics on Monday (Labor Day), September 6th.

Mrs. T. H. Coleman is visiting Mrs. W. W. Worley in Johnson City, Tenn. Miss Mabel Miller at Morganton, N. C., friends and old neighbors at Cedar Spring, S. C., Mr. and Mrs. Herbert R. Smoak at Union, S. C., old home place of her husband at Ridgeway, S. C., and others places. Her daughter, Miss Grace, who has been touring in Europe, expects to join her at Cedar Spring, the latter part of this month. They will go back to Washington the second or third week in September.

The school for the deaf and the blind at Cedar Spring will open on September 22d.

About a dozen persons from South Carolina went to Washington to attend the convention of the National Association of the Deaf. They reported a fine time, though the weather was somewhat unbearably hot. All returned home after the convention, expect Mrs. Jane Carter, who made an extended trip to Baltimore, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Cave, to Philadelphia, Atlantic City, Baltimore and other northern cities, and Misses C. Belle Rogers and T. E. Gaillard, who are visiting in Philadelphia, and other places. The last two will not return till about September 20th.

Mr. Carl Foster, who was the boys' supervisor and instructor in the Woodworking department, in the deaf school at Cedar Spring last year, has resigned and is now working in one of the numerous furniture factories in High Point, N. C., with the work of which he is so well pleased.

Miss Willie Fant, who has been one of the caretakers of the primary department at the school for the deaf and the blind at Cedar Spring for several years, has resigned. She has not as yet announced what she will do.

There will be a special meeting and the annual banquet in Charlotte Division, No. 94, of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, Saturday evening, October 9th. On Sunday morning, October 10th, there will be religious service by the local Bible Class, and they hope to get Rev. Moylan, of Baltimore, to come and give his song-sermon. Everybody is cordially invited to be present.

Mr. A. W. Smoak, of Filbert, S. C., enjoyable a fortnight's visit to his daughter, Mrs. Sam Clarkson, at Leakville, N. C., the latter part of this month.

Mr. Bill Buchman is now located in High Point, N. C., where he works in a printing office and in a furniture factory alternately. That is when the printing office is busy, he works there, otherwise he is laid off, so he has to work in the furniture factory to keep his pocket book from being flat.

Mr. and Mrs. Hackney and family and Mr. Gallimore, of Charlotte, N. C., spent Sunday, August 15th, with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Stone at Filbert, S. C.

Mr. John Boatwright is married to a Miss Johnson from somewhere in the west, now visiting in the east. They will go to South Dakota this fall, where Mr. Boatwright will teach in the State School for the Deaf. For the past two or three years, he had been connected with the New Jersey School for the Deaf as a boys' supervisor and an athletic director.

Miss Annie Smoak, of Filbert, S.

C., will go to Knoxville, Tenn., early in September, to be an assistant to Mrs. Leslie A. Elmer, who has the charge of the boys' cottage at the State School for the Deaf.

We are pleased and gratified to see South Carolina honored by the National Association of the Deaf at its convention in Washington: Mrs. Robert Lee Cave gave a recitation of "America," Miss C. Belle Rogers, a toast at the banquet and was elected 2d Vice-President of the Association. Thanks.

At its commencement exercises in June, the Wofford College in Spartanburg, S. C., conferred the LL.D. degree on Principal W. Laurens Walker, of the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind. The only two others who received the same honor, are Gov. McLeod and a prominent gentleman distinguished for his valuable service in China.

Before the school at Cedar Spring closed last May, Miss C. Belle Rogers gave a miscellaneous shower party in honor of Miss Weirona Edwards, now Mrs. Gordon Allen, of Texas. It took her by complete surprise. There were about a score of ladies, mostly the teachers and officers in the school, who joined in the crowd, giving the bride many useful things with their best wishes. At the end delicious refreshments were served. It was an open secret that several ladies wished that they were the honoree, because the party was an event that was enjoyable and worthwhile and was not to be forgotten soon.

HERBERT R. SMOAK.

Southern California.

Dr. J. S. Long, principal of the Iowa School, and Elwood Stevenson, superintendent of the Wisconsin School, have been visiting in Southern California.

Louis R. Divine and Mrs. Divine have been on a vacation in California. They go to Georgia by auto for a year with the State School.

Mrs. Pattie Bernice Llewellyn died of paralysis, July 26th, aged 51 years. She has had several strokes in the past year, and the last left her helpless and semiconscious for three days. She was buried in Greenlawn Cemetery, Glendale, beside her husband who died several years ago. She left one girl, two boys and a brother, Leslie Presley.

Wm. McLough, of Weir, Kansas, has been in Los Angeles the past four months.

Carl Skautz had a personal interest in the visit of the Swedish Crown Prince, for it was the King of Sweden (then Crown Prince), who, fifty years ago, ordered the little deaf-mute sent to a school for the deaf.

Mr. Nast, of San Diego, has been in Los Angeles.

G. W. Morten, of Vancouver, Wash., after visiting his relatives in Southern California, has gone back north.

Mr. Bradshaw slipped and sprained an elbow. The box was only a few inches high, but the injury was in the right place to do great damage.

The Lettis have been entertaining visitors from the Manitoba School for the Deaf.

Mrs. Hattie Bolin Farmer Rice, was operated on for appendicitis at the General Hospital last week. She is getting along.

Virgil Owens, Sr., is reported to be in Fresno.

T. C. MUELLER.

E. B. SPRAGUE DIES

Ezra Beach Sprague, 79 years old, of Kansas City, Kan., passed away at the home of his son, Cato W. Sprague, 3001 Richmond Avenue, on August 19th. Mr. Sprague had been in ill health the last eleven years, suffering from cancer of the stomach. He had been confined to his bed a year, and was seriously ill for more than a week. He came to Mattoon, Ill., about a month ago.

The funeral took place from the Sprague home on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Sprague was born in Bonaparte, Ia., on February 23d, 1847, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Sprague. He married Miss Elda Alice Miller at Denison, Tex., on November 8th, 1876.

Surviving are his wife and two sons. E. B. Sprague was educated at Jacksonville, Ill.

PROTESTANT-EPISCOPAL MISSIONS.

Dioceses of Washington, and the States of Virginia and West Virginia. Rev. Henry J. Pulver, General Missionary, Cato Avenue, Alexandria, Va.

Washington, D. C.—St. John's Parish Hall, 16th and H Streets, N. W. Services every Sunday, 11:15 A.M. Holy Communion, First Sunday of each month.

Richmond, Va.—St. Andrew's Church, Laurel and Beverley Streets. Service Second Sunday, 8 P.M. Bible Class, other Sundays, 11 A.M.

Norfolk, Va.—St. Luke's Church, Grady and Bute Streets. Services, Second Sunday, 10:30 A.M.

Wheeling, W. Va.—St. Elizabeth's Silent Mission, St. Matthew's Church. Services every Sunday, at 3:30 P.M.

Services by Appointment—Virginia: Lynchburg, Roanoke, Newport News, Staunton, West Virginia: Parkersburg, Huntington, Charleston, Clarksburg, Fairmont and Romney.

STATE FLOWER OF WEIRD ORIGIN.

MANY LEGENDS ARE EXTANT AS HOW BLUEBONNET CAME TO TEXAS.

Bluebonnets, which grows in profusion in Texas, were brought from Jerusalem, by Spanish missionaries to the Southwest, according to the version of Mrs. Lida Lee, of Austin. The Texas Folklore Society presents the suggestion as but one of the legends purporting to show how these popular flowers came into the Lone Star State.

The missionaries, Mrs. Lee's account says, planted the seeds in the mission gardens, where they grew and bloomed and soon spread beyond the mission lands.

Another version of the legend is also given by Mrs. Mattie, Austin Hatcher, of the University of Texas, who had it from a woman from the City of Mexico. Prayers of the priests and pleadings of the people brought no relief from a pestilence, which ravaged the land of the Aztecs. At length the god to whom they prayed proclaimed that a living sacrifice of some sinless human being must be made to atone for the wickedness of the people. An Aztec maiden offered herself. When she went up to the altar on the hillside her little bonnet fell unnoticed from her head and the next morning the ground around the altar was covered with flowers in the pattern and color of her bonnet, each splashed with the hue of her spilt blood. The pestilence passed and now the Mexicans call the flower "el conejo"—the cottontail rabbit—but in Texas it is the bluebonnet.

Mrs. Bruce Reid furnishes another legend of Indian origin which she got from the late "Jack Mitchell," whose people, she said, lived for 50 years among the Indians of the piney woods and Cross Timbers of Texas.

A great flood and a greater drought was followed by a bitter winter which enveloped the land in a sheet of ice. All game was dead or gone; the Indians were not only starving, but a disease had broken out among them. It was clear that the Great Spirit had turned his face away. Day and night the medicine men chanted incantations, danced to the music of their sacred tom-toms and mutilated their bodies for a promise from the angered spirit.

At last the Great Spirit spoke. In penance for wrong-doing, which had brought evils upon the tribe, there must be burned an offering of its most sacred possession, and the ashes of this offering must be scattered to the four winds.

Among those who sat in discreet silence beyond the ring of anxious warriors gathered around the camp fire, was a maiden too young for the heavy burdens of the womanhood. In the folds of her scanty garments she clasped a figure fashioned into the likeness of a papoose with long braids of horsehair and painted to resemble her kind with the juice of various berries. She had robed it in a skirt, mantle and high headdress of blue Jay feathers.

She would almost have died before she would have parted with it. All night she pondered the question of sacrificing it. At last she arose from the side of her sleeping mother, seized a bit of smoldering wood from the tepee fire and slipped out into night. She prayed that her offering might be accepted, built a fire of twigs and grasses and thrust her beloved papoose into the flame! The ashes, she scooped up and scattered to the east and the west and to the north and the south. As she extinguished the remnants of the fire and patted the earth smooth again, felt something soft beneath her hand. Believing it a sign for which she had prayed, she would have seized it, but found it rooted to the ground. The next morning around the spot, where she had burned the image of the papoose, as far as the ashes had travelled in the early spring night breeze, there was a blanket of such flowers as had never before enriched the landscape.

When the chief of the medicine men had heard the story and had seen for himself the expense of flowers, he called the tribe together and proclaimed that the command of the Great Spirit had been obeyed. At once the verdure reappeared, gaily colored with flowers covered the open spaces, and the four-footed things came back. Because the buffalo, whose shaggy herds of old thundered across the far flung prairies, were so fond of its succulent abundance, the blue flowers which was given an Indian name, which the pale faces translated into "buffalo clover." It bore prodigious quantities of fertile seed and rapidly extended the limits of its growth.—San Antonio Express.

Miss Belle Offerle passed away, August 16th, in Prophetstown, Illinois, and was buried in Geneseo, Illinois, August 18th.

A London inventor has contrived an artificial throat for organ pipes that so regulates the currents of air as to make sounds that resemble the vowel sounds of human speech. To reproduce the human voice on the pipe organ has long been a dream of musicians; the new invention is said almost to realize it.

Canadian Clippings

TORONTO TIDINGS

Mr. John Buchan enjoyed the week-end of August 7th with Mr. and Mrs. Lisgar Ball, in Baltimore, Ont.

Miss Freda Wheeler left on August 3d, for a month's rest at a summer resort on the Georgian Bay.

After more than three weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Neil A. McGillivray, Miss Grace Robinson left, on August 9th, for her home in Kingston. She made many new friends while here.

Mr. Arthur Bonvie, of Mattapan, Mass., has left for home after a pleasant two weeks' stay here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Brethour. Every one here found him a jovial fellow, and he said he always felt at home while here.

Miss Ethel Griffith left on August 7th for a two weeks' visit to the Wark family in Wyoming, and a week with Mr. and Mrs. William Quinlan, in Stratford.

Miss Mabel Wheeler has returned home from a two weeks' sojourn at Port Sidney, Muskoka.

One more loss for Toronto, since Mr. Alex. Buchan, Sr., has secured a very lucrative position in a first class tailoring shop in Windsor, and lives with his children, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Crough, in Walkerville.

Messrs. Gordon Whealy and his chum, Gordon Button, are home again after a pleasant holiday of a fortnight, spent at Rock Lake, in the Algonquin Park district.

Mrs. Samuel Goodall and daughter are away on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Robert McMaster in Warton, at time of writing.

A very ably delivered address, on "His Bright, His Better and His Best Promises," was given at our church on August 8th, by Mr. Colin McLean, who said that those who relied on His Promises were those most blessed and most contented. No matter what may befall them, God was always on hand ever mindful of our wants.

Mrs. Clarence Pinder has returned from her three weeks' sojourn in Akron, Ohio, and brought back with her Miss Elsie Holley, of that city, who is now trying to obtain a position here.

We were glad to meet the two, McLarn sisters, Misses Mary and Rachel, of Smith Falls, who are sojourning with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. George J. Timpson, at Long Branch. They are trying to secure work here, and here's hoping they get it, for they are very entertaining young maidens.

Mr. Robert Ensinger was out to see his sister, Mrs. Fred Perry, in Hamilton over civic holiday, and in the meantime went with a jolly bunch of young friends for a swim at Burlington Beach. He reports a swell time.

Mrs. R. R. Riddell is back again, after spending three weeks with her daughter, Mrs. S. J. Crawford, near Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Jaffray and daughter left on August 7th for a fortnight's sojourn among the Kawartha Lakes in Haliburton County.

At time of writing, Mrs. William Ward, of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting her brothers in Cobourg and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mason in this city. Mrs. Ward and her late husband attended the Belleville School away back in 1870-71.

Old Mr. Stork presented Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Bowman with a cooing little son, on August 8th, and both Mrs. Bowman (nee Gladys Lloyd) and babe are doing well. The little one smiles whenever you call out Ellsworth Vincent Bowman.

Rev. Mr. Webb, of Los Angeles, Cal., while en route to England, via Chicago, Detroit, Toronto, Buffalo, Philadelphia and New York, called on Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mason, while here, who subsequently showed him through our new church. Mr. Webb was surprised at the beauty and convenience of our church.

Miss Lucy Buchan, who went up to Walkerville, several weeks ago, has now secured a good position with the Hudson Co., in Detroit, and likes it fine.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rosnick has been brightened by the advent of a little son. The mother was formerly Miss Lena English.

Miss May Cunningham, of Oakville, was in the city lately, as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. McGillivray.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Grooms and two children returned on August 9th, from their three weeks' vacation down in Napanee and neighborhood.

Mrs. George Awford, of Simcoe, has returned home after a very pleasant visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Harris.

Miss Lizzie Muckle and her brother, Ernest, enjoyed a very delightful motor trip to Oakville, on August 8th.

Your scribe was out calling on his old friends in Long Branch on August 11th.

Mr. John Brown, who has been in St. Joseph's Hospital for several

weeks suffering from a serious inward trouble, is still in that hospital at time of writing and still very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Watt were out to Hamilton visiting relatives over the week-end of August 8th, and report a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilson, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson, who were lately married are living with the boy's mother, Mrs. Otto Kuehn.

AURORA ANECDOTES.

Mrs. F. A. West and daughter, Edna, returned home on August 3d, after a visit to her brother, Mr. Percy Webb, in Duntroon, for nearly a month. During their stay there they helped on the farm and made a side trip to relatives in Creemore. Mr. West was also up there during the last week of their stay in that rugged picturesque part of the country. On account of the long illness of Mrs. Webb, they brought their niece, Helen Webb, back with them for a visit. Mr. Webb wants to sell his 100 acre farm, and will give it away for \$2000.

Mr. Walter Bell, of Toronto, was the speaker at our meeting here on August 9th, and gave a nice sermon. He was accompanied by Mrs. Bell and daughter, and the former gave a beautiful hymn, and Mr. West gave the Lord's Prayer. Oscar Buckle was also at this meeting.

WOODSTOCK WHISPERS

Mr. Russell Ryan has decided to stay here, at least for the present, in order that his father, who is in poor health, may spend the sunset of his life in peace and contentment.

Miss Jennie Broom has returned from a month's sojourn with her sister in Detroit and her nieces in Walkerville, looking much younger since she got her flowing locks bobbed.

While out visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Quinlan in Stratford over civic holiday, Miss Iva Hughes, and her hostess went out to Avonton, and spent a pleasant day with the Hoy family. They also called on the aged leaf who are now living in the County Home for the Aged and Infirm.

Mr. Hector Bayliss, of Hamilton, was up to see his wife and child over his week-end of August 1st. Mrs. Bayliss and daughter have left since.

GENERAL GLEANINGS

Miss Helen A. Middleton, of Hornby Mills, was lately out in Honeywood.

Mr. John Taylor, of Singhampton, who has been lacking for many years, is now in clover. His sister and brother-in-law have moved into his premises, and here after friend Jack can throw his cares to the four winds and live a life of ease.

By the will of the late David Hooper, of Rainham, our deaf friend, Lizzy Sherk, of that place, receives a legacy of five hundred dollars.

Mrs. George J. Timpson and two children, of Long Branch, accompanied by her cousins, the Misses Mary and Rachel McLaren, of Smith Falls, went out to Raglan on August 10th, to visit Mrs. Timpson's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Charles McLaren, returning the following evening, Mrs. McLaren came back with them for a visit at the Branch.

Mrs. Allan Nahrang and her four children, of Kitchener, who have been visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Elliott, in Long Branch for three weeks, returned on August 15th.

The writer heartily thanks your Detroit scribe for her compliments. Be it said that your Canadian readers enjoy her spicy items for they often contain names of former Canadians, hence the interest.

Congratulations are in evidence and flowing into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pilgrim, at Niagara Falls, Ont., on the arrival of a baby-boy. The mothers was formerly Miss Elsie Burke, of Port Arthur.

Out on the farm, of Mr. David Hartly, brother of Miss Clara Hartly, of Milton, works Mr. L. Jacobs, the champion fruit picker of Ontario. It's easy for him to pick sixty eleven-quart baskets of cherries in nine hours, and make nine dollars a day. Don't you envy him.

After three weeks with relatives and friends in Windsor, Walkerville, Detroit, and attending the convention, Mr. Alex. Buchan, Jr., has returned to work in Chicago.

A very sad drowning accident happened at Port Hope, a fur trading post of the Hudson Bay Co., 200 miles north of Fort William, when Alvin Alexander, second son of Mr. and Mrs. David Alexander, of Hensell was upset from a canoe and drowned, about July 18th. The deceased went to Northern Ontario several weeks ago to take charge of a trading post up there, and the accident happened while attempting to cross a river near Ombabika, and although aid was hurrying to his rescue, he sank before relief reached him. Alvin was a great favorite and much thought of by all who knew him. He was just 19 years old and a brilliant high school student of Exeter. He was a boy of honorable and upright habits, and a youth of fine physique and Christian character.

He is survived by a heartbroken mother, father, a brother and a sister, to whom we extend deepest sympathy. His parents are graduates of the Belleville School, his mother

being the clever Miss Annie Blackburn, of Coe Hill, Ont. The body has not yet been recovered, despite long and thorough searching.

HERBERT W. ROBERTS.

READING, PA.

Hail Reading, No. 54! The Tenth Anniversary Banquet, at which Grand Secretary Gibson was our guest of honor, still lingers in the memory of those that were present.

History, being a succession of important events, No. 54 added another page to its history when it had the honor of entertaining Grand President Harry C. Anderson, August 14th and 15th.

The genial young man was driven from the N. A. D. confab at the Capital, through Gettysburg, to Reading, in the high-powered motor car of F. C. Smielan. After the Division meeting, some seventy-five deaf persons were present at an informal reception to the distinguished visitor.

Sunday morning, through the courtesy of Roger M. Williams, the Grand President was whisked away to Crystal Cave, along with Division President Weaver and J. M. Kohler, of Scranton.

On returning the party found over 100 deaf persons at Ludden's Park enjoying a picnic. Games were enjoyed and the only thing to mar the day was the swollen condition of the Schuylkill River, which prevented water sports.

Thanks are due to William H. Ludden for the use of the beautiful park. Mr. Ludden has at various times given large sums to the Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf at Torresdale and the granting of all privileges at the park is but one of the few acts of kindness, which the deaf will ever remember. Time for leaving was regretted by all. About twenty came from Philadelphia, others from Lancaster, Harrisburg, Allentown and other points.

At 7.30 P.M., Rev. F. C. Smielan held services at Christ Chapel. It was a tired audience, but his usual forceful sermon succeeded in receiving attention.

Monday, August 16th, No. 54 reluctantly bade adieu to Harry C. Anderson, Grand President of the N. F. S. D. and turned him over to Rev. J. M. Kohler, who accompanied him to Scranton, after which he was to rejoin F. C. Smielan on a tour of the western part of the Keystone State.

E. C. R.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

Forenoon—Religious Services.

Program for the afternoon, to be announced.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

9 A.M. Unfinished Business (if any). Election of Officers.

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